

Examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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3. (Amended) The feeder arrangement as claimed in Claim 1 [or 2], characterised by a synchronisation conveyor (13) which extends from the discharge end of the incoming conveyor (7) and through the guide space (21), said synchronisation conveyor having arrest members (14) against which rest the front edges of the timber pieces (10) in the direction of movement.

5. (Amended) The feeder arrangement as claimed in [any of Claims 1 to 4] Claim 1, characterised in that the carriers (23) have a longitudinal direction which approximately forms a tangent with the curving path of the guide space (21) when the carrier departs from the guide space.

6. (Amended) The feeder arrangement as claimed in Claim 4 [or 5], characterised in that said drive means (18) includes a circulating belt on which rest the timber pieces (10).